

**ALBURY-WODONGA
SOCCER ASSOCIATION**

YEAR BOOK

Competition Rules



SEASON 1979

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

It is my privilege and pleasure to welcome players old and new, to this our seventh season of soccer within the Albury-Wodonga Soccer Association.

Once again the early indications are that our sport will continue to grow, with more and more new players joining our Association. Indeed it is also my pleasure to welcome one new club, Wodonga City, this season, and I wish them well in their efforts to promote soccer in the rapidly growing city of Wodonga.

At the time of writing I understand that both Myrtleford and Wangaratta clubs will be introducing Under 12s and Under 10s to their ranks this season, and this means that these two clubs will have almost filled all the age divisions, in just two years since joining our Association.

We now have a total of 12 clubs in our competitions, and most of these clubs will be fielding teams in all the age groups. This must now be our priority - to fill all the vacancies in existing clubs - before we look to increasing the numbers of clubs further. Looking further ahead, I can now see the day in the not too distant future, when there will be a need to introduce a first and second division with promotion and relegation at Senior levels, together with the introduction further age groupings in juniors, such as Under 9 and Under 11 etc.

The coming season promises to be a long and exciting one, with as many as 12 teams playing each other twice through the year, which should mean that no league will be easy to win in 1979. In addition to the leagues we will have the usual junior representative fixtures, and this year sees the introduction of the Riverina Club at senior club level. The prospect of club sides from Albury-Wodonga, Wagga, Griffith and the South West Slopes playing each other in a sudden death competition promises to produce the thrills and spills of all such competitions, which will provide high standard soccer of a spectacular nature.

As always it is my hope that the best and fairest teams win through to take the honours at the end of September.

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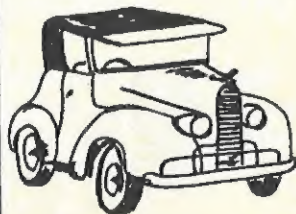
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24 4509
24 3018
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Treasurer: Andrija Miokovic
Ground: West Wodonga High School
Colours: White and black shirts - black shorts

SPECIAL EVENTS DURING SEASON 1979

Throughout the season a number of special events are conducted. These events are usually promoted by individual clubs or in the case of representative matches by the A.W.S.A.

You are urged to both support and spectate at these events as over the years they have proved to be ENTERTAINING and spectacular.

Anzac Day Tournament for under 12 y.o. players.

Promoted by Albury Hotspurs Club and played on their grounds Lambert and Aloysius Parks.

Anzac Day Tournament for under 8 y.o. and under 10 y.o. players.

Promoted by Coca Cola and Lavington Boomers Soccer Club and played at Glen Park.

Stavros Cup (Wangaratta) - Queen's Birthday weekend.

Tobacco Cup (Myrtleford) - Easter.

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Should transfer of games be necessary the committee will notify the "HOME" team of the transfer to another ground; it then follows that this team is responsible for placing at their ground a notice and a person both of whom will notify the visiting team of the change of venue. All transferred or cancelled games will be broadcasted over Albury Radio 2AY and Wangaratta Radio 3NE at 8.30a.m. on the Sunday morning.

All home teams will remain responsible for the marking, placement of nets, crowd control, and catering when playing at their own ground or on the ground nominated by the Wet Weather Committee in the event of necessary transfer.

In the event of any game or games being postponed due to weather the matches cancelled must be played on the first Saturday following the day of cancellation, or by arrangement with the fixtures committee.

Should any ground be known to be unplayable on the Saturday preceding the scheduled match it is the responsibility of the home club to notify first the Wet Weather Committee - phone: (060) 21 6339 - who must authorise any variation of date or venue.

The Referees Association will take its instructions solely from the Wet Weather Committee.

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Under 14: W. Mills
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REP. FIXTURES 1979:

21/4/79: Albury v S.W. Slopes
6/5/79: Griffith v Albury
20/5/79: Wagga v Albury
3/6/79: S.W. Slopes v Albury
16/6/79: Albury v Griffith
30/6/79: Albury v Wagga

RESULTS

Club secretaries must phone all club results EVERY WEEK to Manfred Bartasek - (Albury) 21 2826 - between 6.00p.m. and 7.00 p.m. on the day of matches (Saturday or Sunday). Failure to relay results will leave clubs liable to a fine and forfeit of match points.

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Utd v MPR	A	11a.m. Hot v TCW	E
Hot v Dia		12 noon Stp v City	
TCW v Stp		1p.m. MPR v Dia	
APRIL 1 at Glen Park		MAY 13 at Jelbert	
10a.m. MPR v Lav		10a.m. Hot v Lav	
11a.m. Utd v Dia	B	11a.m. Utd v TCW	F
12 noon Hot v Stp		12 noon StP v MPR	
1p.m. TCW v City		1p.m. City v Dia	
APRIL 8 at Kelly Park		MAY 27 at Glen Park	
10a.m. Lav v Dia		10a.m. TCW v Lav	
11a.m. Utd v Stp	C	11a.m. Dia v StP	G
12 noon Hot v City		12 noon MPR v City	
1p.m. TCW v MPR		1p.m. Utd v Hot	
APRIL 22 at Lambert and Aloysius			
10a.m. Lav v Stp			
11a.m. Utd v City	D		
12 noon Hot v MPR			
1p.m. TCW v Dia			

thence	round	A	June 10 at Aquinas
"	"	B	June 17 at Kelly Park
"	"	C	June 24 at Lambert & Aloysius
"	"	D	July 1 at Glen Park
"	"	E	July 8 at Jelbert
"	"	F	July 15 at Melrose
"	"	G	July 22 at Lambert & Aloysius
"	"	A	July 29 at Aquinas
"	"	B	Aug. 5 at Kelly Park
"	"	C	Aug. 12 at Melrose
"	"	D	Aug. 19 at Jelbert
"	"	E	Aug. 26 at Glen Park
"	"	F	Sept. 2 at Lambert & Aloysius
"	"	G	Sept 9 at Kelly Park

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1979 FIXTURES

SUNDAY, MARCH 25th

	Sen.	Res.	U16	U14	U12	U10
✓ Albury Utd. v Melrose Park	3-0	4-1				
Lavington v Albury City	0-2	0-7				
Wangaratta v Wodonga City	2-0	2-0				
Hotspurs v Diamonds	1-1	2-0				
Twin City v St. Patricks	3-0	5-1				
West Wodonga v Myrtleford	4-4	3-2				

SUNDAY, APRIL 1st

	Sen.	Res.	U16	U14	U12	U10
✓ Melrose Park v Lavington	2-0	2-1				
Albury City v Albury Utd.	4-0	0-2				
Wodonga City v Hotspurs	0-5	1-7				
Diamonds v Wangaratta	7-2	0-7				
St. Patricks v W. Wodonga	1-8	1-1				
Myrtleford v Twin City	2-2	1-4				

SUNDAY, APRIL 8th

	Sen.	Res.	U16	U14	U12	U10
✓ Wangaratta v Albury City	2-2	1-1				
Lavington v Wodonga City	0-2	0-0				
Diamonds v Twin City	1-1	0-10				
Hotspurs v St. Patricks	3-0	3-0				
Albury Utd. v Myrtleford	0-1	0-0				
W. Wodonga v Melrose Park	2-0	3-1				

SUNDAY, APRIL 15th

EASTER - Tobacco Cup for Seniors at Myrtleford.

SATURDAY, APRIL 21st

Albury-Wodonga v S.S. Slo, Wagga v Griffith.

SUNDAY, APRIL 22nd

	Sen.	Res.	U16	U14	U12	U10
✓ Melrose Park v Twin City	0-1	1-6				
St. Patricks v Albury Utd.	0-5	0-3				
Albury City v Hotspurs	1-3	1-4				
Diamonds v Lavington	3-0	0-2				
Myrtleford v Wangaratta	3-4	4-2				
Wodonga City v W. Wodonga	0-8	0-5				

SUNDAY, APRIL 29th

	Sen.	Res.	U16	U14	U12	U10
✓ Albury Utd. v Diamonds	0-1	18-0				
Hotspurs v Melrose Park	0-0	0-2				
Lavington v Myrtleford	0-2	1-3				
West Wodonga v Albury City	10-0	0-7				
Wangaratta v St. Patricks	3-0	1-0				
Twin City v Wodonga City	3-0	4-0				

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Senior: Riverina Cup - 1st Round
Juniors: Griffith v Albury Wodonga - S.W. Slopes v Wagga

SUNDAY, MAY 13th

	Sen.	Res.	U16	U14	U12	U10
Wodonga City v Albury Utd.	0-4	0-6				
Melrose v Wangaratta	1-3	0-1				
St. Patricks v Lavington	2-0	0-2				
Albury City v Twin City	0-0	1-2				
Myrtleford v Hotspurs	2-2	2-0				
Diamonds v West Wodonga	2-2	0-1				

SUNDAY, MAY 20th
ALBURY UTD - HOTSPURS 2-3 (ET)
Seniors: Riverina Cup - 2nd Round.
Juniors: Wagga v Albury-Wodonga - Griffith v S.W. Slopes.

SUNDAY, MAY 27th

	Sen.	Res.	U16	U14	U12	U10
Albury Utd. v Lavington	2-0	0-1				
Wangaratta v Hotspurs	4-1	2-0				
Twin City v West Wodonga	2-0	3-0				
Melrose Park v Albury City	5-3	2-4				
Wodonga City v Diamonds	2-2	2-0				
St. Patricks v Myrtleford	1-7	0-2				

SUNDAY, JUNE 3rd

Seniors: Riverina Cup - 3rd Round.
Juniors: S.W. Slopes v Albury-Wodonga - Griffith v Wagga.

SUNDAY, JUNE 10th

	Sen.	Res.	U16	U14	U12	U10
Hotspurs v Albury Utd.	0-0	5-3				
Lavington v Twin City	0-2	1-2				
W. Wodonga v Wangaratta	4-2	1-1				
Diamonds v Melrose Park	5-2	1-5				
Albury City v St. Patricks	11-0	4-0				
Myrtleford v Wodonga City	5-0	5-7				

SATURDAY, JUNE 16th

Juniors: Albury-Wodonga v Griffith - Wagga v S.W. Slopes.

SUNDAY, JUNE 17th

	Sen.	Res.	U16	U14	U12	U10
Albury Utd. v Twin City	0-1	4-2				
Hotspurs v West Wodonga	3-4	3-0				
Wangaratta v Lavington	2-0	1-2				
Melrose Park v St. Patricks	7-0	4-1				
Diamonds v Myrtleford	6-3	0-2				
Wodonga City v Albury City	1-6	0-1				

Riverina Cup semi finals will also be played on this date, so some clubs may be subject to local postponment.

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SUNDAY, JUNE 24th

	Sen.	Res.	U16	U14	U12	U10
West Wodonga v Albury Utd.	1-3	0-4				
Lavington v Hotspurs	0-2	0-2				
Twin City v Wangaratta	2-1	3-1				
Myrtleford v Melrose Park	1-2	2-1				
Albury City v Diamonds	2-1	8-0				
St. Patricks v Wodonga City	1-3	2-2				

SUNDAY, JULY 1st

	Sen.	Res.	U16	U14	U12	U10
Albury Utd. v Wangaratta	1-1	0-1				
West Wodonga v Lavington	1-0	3-0				
Hotspurs v Twin City	0-2	1-8				
Melrose Pk. v Wodonga City	2-0	4-0				
Myrtleford v Albury City	1-1	3-1				
Diamonds v St. Patricks	1-0	4-8				

SATURDAY, JULY 7th

Juniors: Albury-Wodonga v Wagga - S.W. Slopes v Griffith.

SUNDAY, JULY 8th

	Sen.	Res.	U16	U14	U12	U10
Melrose Park v Albury Utd.	1-0	1-0				
Albury City v Lavington	2-0	3-1				
Wodonga City v Wangaratta	4-4	1-3				
Diamonds v Hotspurs	2-2	1-6				
St. Patricks v Twin City	0-3	1-6				
Myrtleford v West Wodonga	0-3	12-0				

Riverina Cup Final will also be played on this date, which may cause some local postponements.

SUNDAY, JULY 15th

	Sen.	Res.	U16	U14	U12	U10
Lavington v Melrose Park	0-2	3-0				
Albury Utd. v Albury City	0-0	1-1				
Hotspurs v Wodonga City	2-1	2-0				
Wangaratta v Diamonds	1-4	6-0				
W. Wodonga v St. Patricks	2-0	5-1				
Twin City v Myrtleford	3-2	2-1				

SUNDAY, JULY 22nd

	Sen.	Res.	U16	U14	U12	U10
Albury City v Wangaratta	2-2	1-2				
Wodonga City v Lavington	2-0	1-0				
Twin City v Diamonds	3-2	7-0				
St. Patricks v Hotspurs	1-4	0-3				
Myrtleford v Albury Utd.	2-0	2-2				
Melrose Pk. v W. Wodonga	2-1	2-2				

SUNDAY, JULY 29th

	Sen.	Res.	U16	U14	U12	U10
Twin City v Melrose Park	3-1	6-1				
Albury Utd. v St. Patricks	1-3	3-0				
Hotspurs v Albury City	0-2	3-2				
Lavington v Diamonds	0-2	0-3				
Wangaratta v Myrtleford	2-0	0-2				
W. Wodonga v Wodonga City	1-3	0-2				



SUNDAY, AUGUST 5th

	Sen.	Res.	U16	U14	U12	U10
✓ Diamonds v Albury Utd.	1-1	0-5				
Melrose Park v Hotspurs	0-5	2-1				
Myrtleford v Lavington	2-0	3-1				
Albury City v W. Wodonga	2-1	4-1				
St. Patricks v Wangaratta	1-1	1-2				
Wodonga City v Twin City	0-7	0-5				

SUNDAY, AUGUST 12th

	Sen.	Res.	U16	U14	U12	U10
✓ Albury Utd. v Wodonga City	4-1	5-1				
Wangaratta v Melrose Park	3-1	1-3				
Lavington v St. Patricks	0-2	2-3				
Twin City v Albury City	2-1	2-3				
Hotspurs v Myrtleford	2-1	2-3				
West Wodonga v Diamonds	2-3	6-2				

SUNDAY, AUGUST 19th

	Sen.	Res.	U16	U14	U12	U10
✓ Lavington v Albury Utd.	0-2	2-1				
Hotspurs v Wangaratta	2-3	2-5				
West Wodonga v Twin City	1-2	2-0				
Albury City v Melrose Park	3-0	2-1				
Diamonds v Wodonga City	3-2	2-6				
Myrtleford v St. Patricks	2-0	2-6				

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26th

	Sen.	Res.	U16	U14	U12	U10
✓ Albury Utd. v Hotspurs	2-1	0-0				
Twin City v Lavington	2-0	1-0				
Wangaratta v W. Wodonga	2-0	1-1				
Melrose Park v Diamonds	1-2	3-2				
St. Patricks v Albury City	1-6	3-3				
Wodonga City v Myrtleford	1-4	0-10				

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2nd

	Sen.	Res.	U16	U14	U12	U10
✓ Twin City v Albury Utd.	4-1	0-0				
West Wodonga v Hotspurs	0-1	0-0				
Lavington v Wangaratta	0-0	0-0				
St. Patricks v Melrose Park	3-0	1-1				
Myrtleford v Diamonds	1-1	5-0				
Albury City v Wodonga City	1-0	3-0				

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9th

	Sen.	Res.	U16	U14	U12	U10
✓ Albury Utd. v W. Wodonga	3-2	2-0				
Hotspurs v Lavington	2-0	3-0				
Wangaratta v Twin City	3-2	3-0				
Melrose Park v Myrtleford	1-1	0-5				
Diamonds v Albury City	1-1	0-4				
Wodonga City v St. Patricks	2-2	0-3				



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16th

Wangaratta v Albury Utd.
 Lavington v West Wodonga
 Twin City v Hotspurs
 Wodonga City v Melrose Pk.
 Albury City v Myrtleford
 St. Patricks v Diamonds

Sen.	Res.	U16	U14	U12	U10
0-10	1-1				
0-2	0-3				
2-2	0-3				
2-2					
2-1	0-0				
0-5	2-0				

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23rd

ASSOCIATION CUP TOP FOUR PLAY OFFS.

Semi Finals:

1st Place League v 3rd Place League

2nd Place League v 4th Place League

Venues to be decided.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30th

ASSOCIATION CUP TOP FOUR PLAY OFFS.

Finals:

1st Semi Winners v 2nd Semi Winners

Venues to be decided.

FIRST DIVISION KICK-OFF TIMES:

Under 10 - 9 a.m.

Under 12 - 10 a.m.

Under 14 - 11 a.m.

Under 16 - 12.15 p.m.

Reserves - 1.30 p.m.

Seniors - 3.15 p.m.



LEAGUE HONOURS 1974 - 1978

Season	Winners	Runner up
SENIORS ✓		
1974	Twin City Wanderers	Albury City
1975	Albury City	Melrose Park Rangers
1976	Albury City	Wodonga Diamonds
1977	Wodonga Diamonds	Myrtleford
1978	Albury City	Twin City Wanderers
UNDER 16		
1974	Twin City Wanderers	Albury Rovers
1975	Twin City Wanderers	Albury Hotspurs
1976	Twin City Wanderers	Albury United
1977	Melrose Park Rangers	Albury Hotspurs
1978	Albury Hotspurs	Twin City Wanderers
UNDER 14 ✓		
1974	Albury Hotspurs	Albury United
1975	Twin City Wanderers	Albury Hotspurs
1976	Albury Hotspurs	Twin City Wanderers
1977	Melrose	Twin City Rangers
1978	Wodonga Diamonds	Twin City Wanderers
UNDER 12 ✓		
1974	Twin City Wanderers	Albury Hotspurs
1975	Melrose Park Rangers	Albury Hotspurs
1976	Albury Hotspurs	Wodonga Diamonds
1977	Twin City Wanderers	Albury
1978	Twin City Wanderers	Albury United
UNDER 10 ✓		
1974	Albury Hotspurs A	Albury Hotspurs B
1975	Albury Hotspurs	Twin City Wanderers
1976	Albury United	Twin City Wanderers
1977	Twin City Wanderers	Albury Hotspurs
1978	St. Patrick's	Albury Hotspurs
UNDER 8 ✓		
1975	Albury United	Twin City Wanderers
1976	Twin City Wanderers	Albury Hotspurs
1977	Twin City Wanderers	Albury Hotspurs
1978	Lavington	Albury Hotspurs

CUP HONOURS 1974 - 1978

Season	Winners	Runners up
SENIORS ✓		
1974	Albury City	Melrose Park Rangers
1975	Albury Hotspurs	Albury City
1976	Albury City	Wodonga Diamonds
1977	Wodonga Diamonds	Myrtleford
1978	Albury City	Albury Hotspurs
UNDER 16		
1975	Twin City Wanderers	Albury United
1976	Twin City Wanderers	Albury United
1977	Melrose Park Rangers	Albury Hotspurs
1978	Twin City Wanderers	Melrose Park Rangers



UNDER 14

1975	Melrose Park Rangers	Twin City Wanderers
1976	Albury Hotspurs	St. Patrick's
1977	Twin City Wanderers	Melrose Park Rangers
1978	Wodonga Diamonds	Twin City Wanderers

UNDER 12

1975	Melrose Park Rangers	Albury United
1976	Albury United	Wodonga Diamonds
1977	Twin City Wanderers	Albury Hotspurs
1978	Twin City Wanderers	Albury United

UNDER 10

1975	Twin City Wanderers	Albury Hotspurs
1976	Twin City Wanderers	Albury United
1977	Twin City Wanderers	Albury United
1978	Albury Hotspurs	Twin City Wanderers

UNDER 8

1975	Albury United	Twin City Wanderers
1976	Albury Hotspurs	Melrose Park Rangers
1977	Albury Hotspurs	Twin City Wanderers
1978	Lavington	Albury Hotspurs

PRE-SEASON COMPETITION 1974 - 1978

SENIORS

1974	Melrose Park Rangers	Lavington
1975	Albury City	Albury United
1976	Wodonga Diamonds	Melrose Park Rangers
1977	No Competition Played	
1978		

LEAGUE LADDER AS AT AUGUST 27th, 1978

SENIORS	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	UNDER 12	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
City 14	18	14	2	2	101	18	30	Wanderers	18	15	2	1	96	12	32
Wanderers 3	18	9	6	3	67	26	24	United	18	13	3	2	56	11	29
Hotspurs 3	18	8	7	3	62	26	23	Hotspurs	18	11	4	3	63	20	26
Rangers 2	18	9	5	4	42	34	23	Rangers	18	6	4	8	24	27	16
Myrtleford 2	18	9	4	5	61	46	22	City	18	6	4	8	20	34	16
Diamonds 6	18	8	5	5	58	37	21	St. Pat's	18	7	1	10	39	48	15
West Wod	18	8	4	6	51	42	20	Wangaratta	18	4	2	12	22	56	10
United	18	2	5	11	29	45	9	Myrtleford	18	1	16	7	67	3	
Wangaratta	18	3	1	14	24	80	7	Lavington	18	1	1	16	10	104	3
St. Pat's	18	0	1	17	11	139	1								

RESERVES

Wanderers	18	14	3	1	62	13	31
United	18	12	6	1	49	14	29
Myrtleford	18	11	2	5	56	25	24
Hotspurs	18	10	4	4	46	19	24
City	18	9	2	7	41	33	20
Rangers	18	5	5	8	23	47	15
West. Wod.	18	6	2	10	40	61	14
Wangaratta	18	5	2	11	19	34	12
Diamonds	18	4	1	13	26	68	9
St. Pat's	18	2	0	16	20	68	4

UNDER 10

St. Pat's	12	10	1	1	46	10	21
Hotspurs	12	8	2	2	34	7	18
Wanderers	12	6	2	4	18	11	14
United	12	5	1	6	18	31	11
Rangers	12	5	1	6	14	30	11
Lavington	12	4	1	7	24	30	9
Diamonds	12	0	1	11	0	70	2



UNDER 16

Hotspurs	18	15	1	2	46	10	31
Wanderers	18	14	2	2	87	12	30
Rangers	18	13	4	1	39	7	30
Wangaratta	18	12	3	3	55	13	27
United	18	10	1	7	41	36	21
City	18	8	0	10	22	67	16
Myrtleford	18	5	1	12	12	27	11
T.C. Rovers	18	3	0	15	10	51	6
East M.P.R.	18	2	0	16	4	32	4
West. Wod.	18	2	0	16	4	32	4

UNDER 10

Lavington	12	8	3	1	31	7	19
United	12	9	0	3	22	5	18
Hotspurs	12	8	1	3	39	9	17
Rangers	12	6	2	4	19	12	14
Hotspurs D	12	3	2	7	16	20	8
St. Pat's	12	3	0	9	7	24	6
Wanderers	12	1	0	11	3	70	2

UNDER 14

Diamonds	16	16	0	0	95	6	32
Wanderers	16	12	1	3	40	16	25
Hotspurs	16	10	2	4	51	13	22
United	16	7	2	7	49	36	16
Rangers	16	7	2	7	31	29	16
St. Pat's	16	7	1	8	33	45	15
City	16	4	2	10	32	37	10
Myrtleford	16	2	3	11	8	61	7
Lavington	16	0	1	15	11	105	1

REPRESENTATIVE HONOURS

1974

- Under 12 - Runners up, Southern Branch Championship
- Under 18 - Runners up, Southern Branch Championship
- Under 12 - Winners, Southern Branch Championship

1975

- Under 16 - Winners, Southern Branch Championship

1976

- Seniors - Winners, Comet Cup
- Under 18 - Winners, Comet Cup
- Under 16 - Runners up, Comet Cup
- Under 14 - Winners, NSW Country Championship
- Under 14 - Winners, Comet Cup
- Under 10 - Runners up, Comet Cup

1977

- Seniors - Winners, Comet Cup
- Under 18 - Winners, Comet Cup
- Under 16 - Winners, Comet Cup
- Under 12 - Runners up, Comet Cup
- Under 11 - Runners up, Comet Cup
- Under 10 - Winners, Comet Cup

1978

- Under 16 - Runners up, Southern Branch Championship
- Under 14 - Runners up, Southern Branch Championship
- Under 12 - Runners up, Southern Branch Championship
- Under 11 - Winners, Southern Branch Championship
- Under 10 - Runners up, Southern Branch Championship



ALBURY-WODONGA SOCCER ASSOCIATION

PRESIDENT'S REPORT - SEASON 1978

Once again it is my pleasure and privilege to submit this Annual report, for the 1978 season, just concluded.

Whilst we didn't witness the spectacular growth of our earlier years, we did see another increase in the numbers of both seniors and juniors playing soccer during 1978, which is a healthy sign for the game, and once again, our Association and its member clubs can be proud of a number of well earned successes in competition at inter district and intra state level.

Perhaps the highlight of the playing season was the fantastic Cup run in the N.S.W. Champion of Champions tournament, by Albury City's senior team, who with a brand of sparkling attacking soccer carried all before them to reach the final in Sydney, where they went down narrowly by 2-1 Cronulla RSL, in a match where many people thought they were the better side. This fine achievement by our champions, City, did much to promote the soccer standards in Albury-Wodonga, and my congratulations and thanks go to Joe Sagor and his strong team.

The efforts of Albury City were closely matched by our Under 11 Representative side, who also won their way into the State Championship Finals in Sydney, where they won the country championship against Western N.S.W. and Southern N.S.W., and came close to pulling off the upset of the season against state champions Sutherland. In this game our boys were down 3-0 at half time, but fought back magnificently to go down 3-2, after rattling the woodwork on occasions in a stirring second half. This team also soundly defeated some notable teams from Melbourne and Canberra in their lead up games, and coach Pat O'Flaherty and his willing band of managers and trainers showed just what can be achieved through dedication and planning. This Under 11 team has now won the Riverina championship twice in succession, and we are looking forward to greater things from these talented youngsters in the years ahead.

At the close of the season we also instituted what should become a permanent fixture of increasing importance, namely the Charity Shield, played between representative sides from the Victorian clubs against the N.S.W. clubs. On this occasion N.S.W. triumphed 5-0, but I've no doubt that Victoria will be looking for revenge next season. From this game a full Representative side was selected to entertain the loyal supporters by thrashing North Dandenong 8-1, before losing in a game of high class against National League team, Footscray J.U.S.T. 4-1.

In our local competitions, the previous dominance of clubs like Twin City Wanderers, and to a lesser extent, Hotspurs and Melrose Park, was ended quite dramatically with the emergence of championship and cup winning teams from Lavington, St. Patricks, Wodonga Diamonds and Albury United. I said last year that these would shortly emerge as potential champions, and they have done just that. In actual fact all 7 age division championships were won by different clubs, with no club winning two league competitions. In the Association Cup, the same thing happened again with different clubs getting up in most cases, just to emphasise the closeness of the competition that we are now enjoying. Gone are the days of easy games in any age division, which must be a good thing for the game locally. My congratulations to all our League and Cup winners in 1978.

Before leaving the playing aspect of this report, I must also mention that your committee was aware of the frustrations and annoyance in some circles at the number of byes that were scheduled in the Under 10 and Under 8 1st divisions, and report that steps are being taken to avoid repeating this in 1979. Your committee is also investigating the formation of a Mini League competition for Under 8, Under 7 and Under 6 age groups, playing under the present Under 8 rules. Whilst in the subject of Under 8 rules, which has been a bone of contention for some 3 seasons now, I am pleased to advise that a special meeting was held during the year, at which all Under 8 coaches were present (or invited), at which time the existing rules were retained indefinitely, and it is my hope that we can now all work together under these rules, which the experts from around the World all maintain is the correct way to develop young juniors.



I understand that there were also rumblings of discontent in some areas about the dominance of Albury clubs in the Association Management Committee, and Disputes committee. Whilst I would state categorically these complaints are totally without foundation, I would also point out that the Association membership, which includes all club members, can only elect to office those people that nominate, which really means that the solution to any problems in this area lie firmly with the membership.

A feature of our growth over the past 5 years has been that each year we usually embark on a new venture of some sort in an effort to improve playing standards, and this year was no exception. In fact I would say, that perhaps in 1978 we took the biggest step forward in our history, with a venture that must surely have lasting benefits for years to come. I refer, of course, to the formation in recent weeks of the Albury-Wodonga Soccer Coaches Federation. I should emphasise that this body is entirely separate from the Soccer Association, and the inspiration for its formation came from a group of people not closely connected with the Association committee. Having said this your Association is wholeheartedly behind the group, and has provided some financial assistance in the setting up period. Under the guidance of Pat O'Flaherty, a qualified Senior coach, it is my hope that this Federation will multiply and prosper. Already they have conducted a Basic Skills course for new or intending coaches, with great success, and I understand that at least 3 other such courses are planned for early 1979. I commend them to all coaches and intending coaches. The present Association committee is also anxious to place the coaching of our junior Representative sides in the hands of this qualified group, as we feel that this can only improve our standards in this area.

Off the field, I would like to thank the members of your Association committee, and in particular your hard working Secretary, Ian Barker, efficient Registrar, Hans Wynter, and your hard pressed Fixtures Chairman, Gene Lydick. I would also like to thank my Vice President, George Travassaros, for his valuable support, and organisation of our Rep. sides. Unfortunately, and for the first time in recent years, the demanding work of the committee as a whole was carried by a nucleus of just a few, which, of course caused problems of overwork by the few. In view of this I would ask all members to closely consider the time they have available before accepting any nominations, to what is essentially, a team effort. I would also ask the members to consider these factors when voting for the various candidates who offer themselves for election at the Annual General Meeting.

Looking ahead to 1979, we are again hopeful that the Border Soccer Club will finally gain entry into the Melbourne Provisional or Metropolitan League, as the games against North Dandenong and J.U.S.T., clearly demonstrated the potential feast for spectators if they are able to watch the best players in the district playing as a single team, not to mention the advantages to those players in further lifting their already high standards.

On the local scene we have already acknowledged a few mistakes that need to be rectified, but on the whole we can again look forward to a highly successful 1979, with strong competition abounding in all the age divisions.

Tony Ratcliffe.
President,
Albury-Wodonga Soccer Association.

MEETING ATTENDANCE - 1978. TOTAL MEETINGS HELD: 14

Ian Barker	14	George Travassaros	11
Basil Yule	14	Hans Wynter	9
Referees Rep.	14	Bob Cronin	8
Ernst Mueller	13	Vince Pica	8
Ron Cotterill	13	Bill Graham	3
Gene Lydick	12	Frank Bertazzo	3
Tony Ratcliffe	12	Michael Gibbs	1

